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In the application of:

Nurith KURN

Serial No.: 10/017,880

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
GENERATION OF MULTIPLE COPIES  
OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES AND  
METHODS OF DETECTION THEREOF

Examiner: A. Spiegler

Group Art Unit: 1637

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 AND § 1.978**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicant submits for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the two issued patents cited in the PTO-Form 1449. These references had already been cited in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 23, 2003, as reference nos. 2 (US 2002-0058270) and 4 (US 2003-0017591). Applicant submits the corresponding two patents issued in February 2004.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- Within three months of the application filing date or before mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; accordingly, no fee or separate requirements are required.
- After receipt of a first Office Action on the merits but before mailing of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance.
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I hereby certify that no item of information was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the best of my knowledge after making a reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

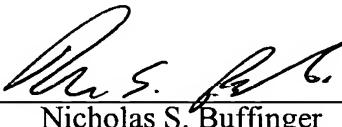
Applicant would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

The information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is not to be construed as a representation that: (i) a complete search has been made; (ii) additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist; (iii) the information, protocols, results and the like reported by third parties are accurate or enabling; or (iv) the above information constitutes prior art to the subject invention.

In the unlikely event that the fee transmittal is separated from this document and/or the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing **492692000300**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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